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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a reply to the Office Action dated January 24, 2003 for three months from April 24, 2003 to July 24, 2003.

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